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Michael Alois Kolowski, et al)
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OF DESIGNING THE TREAD)
HAVING CIRCUMFERENTIALLY)
ELONGATED CENTRAL ARRAYS)
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Dear Sir:

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As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the Applicants are calling the following to the attention of the Patent Office and request that they be considered by the Examiner:

United States Patent 5,560,791
European Patent Application 1 176 034 A (previously cited)
Japanese Publication No. 6,143,935
UK Patent Application GB 2 239 845 A
UK Patent Application GB 2 323 573 A

The above-identified material may be relevant to the prosecution of the subject patent application because it was cited in the European Search Report of our corresponding European patent application. A copy of the above-identified references, a copy of the European Search Report, and Form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith.

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